

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT : Julia KAFTANOV  
SERIAL NO. : 10/621,623 Confirmation No.: 1626  
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FOR : Novel Synthesis of Irbesartan  
GROUP ART UNIT : 1626  
EXAMINER : Laura L. STOCKTON  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Applicants request a three-month extension of time for responding to the Office Action dated February 12, 2009, thereby extending the response period to August 12, 2009. Please charge the extension fee and any additional fee necessary for consideration of this paper to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

In response to the Office Action, Applicants respectfully request that the claims be reconsidered in light of the following remarks.

**Remarks** begin on page 2